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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, 20463

Re: MUR 5421

Dear Ms. Odrowski:

I am writing to seek an extension of time to respond to the Commission's reason to believe finding in the above referenced MUR. Your letter, dated August 11, 2005 was received in my office on August 15, 2005. Thus, normally a response would be due on August 30. I am seeking an additional 20 days in which to respond -- making our response due September 19, 2005.

The additional time is necessary in order for the Committee to be able to fully respond to the allegations set forth in the factual and legal analysis. As we discussed, it is our intention to provide a full explanation of the sequence of events at issue in this matter and to attach, where appropriate, records that will help assure your office and the Commission that no violation of the law took place. Unfortunately our response in this matter is due at the same time that we are responding to requests from your office in other MURs and while we are also responding to requests made by the Commission as a part of the general election audit.

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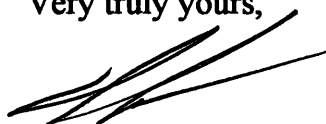
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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping, diagonal strokes.

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